Overbridge on NH-200

†3223. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that an overbridge is proposed to be constructed on the railway crossing at Belpahar on National Highway no. 200 in Jharsuguda district of Orissa; and

(b) if so, the present status thereof and by when its construction would be commenced together with the target fixed for its completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) The work of Feasibility Study/Detailed Project Report for construction of a Rail Over Bridge (ROB) in replacement of railway level crossing at Belpahar on NH 200 in Jharsuguda district of Orissa is proposed for inclusion in Annual Plan 2005-06. The detailed proposal for this purpose is awaited from Government of Orissa. It is too early to indicate the date of commencement and completion for this work.

Developing of National Highways in Punjab

†3224. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals for strengthening and widening of National Highways in the State of Punjab have been received from State Government;

(b) whether Government have evolved any plan in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time-frame for it; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The State Government has submitted 18 proposals amounting to Rs. 59.40 crores for strengthening/widening/improvement of Riding Quality during 2004-05 and out of which 17 proposals amounting to Rs. 57.94 crores have been sanctioned and one proposal amounting to Rs. 1.46

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